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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	09/218,660
Filing Date	December 22, 1998
First Named Inventor	Unger et al.
Art Unit	1617
Examiner Name	S.J. Sharareh
Attorney Docket Number	IMARX1100-3

## This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

### 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Preliminary Amendment, Petition for Extension of Time

### 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☒ Other Transmittal Sheet

### 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 10/27/2003 AMONDAF1 00000086 09218660
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.117) 01 FC:1801 770.00 DP
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$2,250.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In connection with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith,  
responsive to the Advisory Action mailed July 3, 2003, entry of the amendments and  
reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

It is noted that Applicants' Amendment mailed April 21, 2003, in response to the  
final Office Action mailed November 20, 2002, was not entered.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

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